

House Resolution 1822

By: Representative Day of the 163rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Walter Parker, outstanding Georgian and statesman; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Honorable Walter Parker has long been recognized by the citizens of Tybee
4 Island and Chatham County for the vital role that he has played in community leadership and
5 his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the residents of Tybee Island; and

6 WHEREAS, this outstanding public servant loyally served as Mayor of Tybee Island for 16
7 years and contributed enormously to the beautification and preservation of the island and the
8 refurbishment of the island's endangered beaches; and

9 WHEREAS, as demonstration of his commitment to Tybee Island, Walter Parker was
10 actively involved in many beach revitalization programs affecting the area and he also
11 appointed the first Tybee Beautification Commission, was a leading advocate for state-wide
12 support for the rebuilding of the Tybee Island Pier and Pavilion and initiated a massive
13 cleanup and repair project dedicated to Tybee's municipal buildings; and

14 WHEREAS, his tireless efforts resulted in a new "spirit of community" in preparation for
15 Tybee's 1987 Centennial; and

16 WHEREAS, his commitment to the residents of Tybee Island is further demonstrated by his
17 service on or involvement with many local, state, and national associations, boards and
18 committees affecting the development of the city, including the Savannah Area Chamber of
19 Commerce and Governor's Comprehensive Plan for Georgia's Coasts; and

20 WHEREAS, as Mayor of Tybee Island he demanded excellence in public service from the
21 city's vital service agencies; and

1 WHEREAS, his hard work and visionary spirit provided a framework upon which future
2 generations could build and helped to preserve a strategic area of the State of Georgia for all
3 to enjoy.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body commend Walter Parker for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and
6 dedicated public service to his community and the citizens of this state, and extend to him
7 their most sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Walter Parker.